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Five Guard members will enter state Army National Guard Hall of Honor

The Wisconsin Army National Guard will recognize five outstanding Guard members in its Hall of Honor ceremony at the state Capitol on Sunday [March 7].

The fourth annual induction ceremony will honor:

Brig. Gen. Roger H. Greenwood, a Master Army Aviator who logged more than 1,000 combat flying hours in Vietnam and later rose to serve as chief of staff of the Wisconsin Army National Guard and deputy commander, State Area Command;

Brig. Gen. Charles F. Scharine, who led the 32nd Infantry Brigade when it became the first unit of its size to mobilize for deployment to Germany as part of a REFORGER exercise in 1986;

Lt. Col. John S. Sarko, a World War II veteran and Master Army Aviator who was instrumental in organizing the Wisconsin National Guard's aviation community;

Sgt. Maj. Jerry A. Rohloff, a Guard member for 42 years and a founder of the Wisconsin National Guard Enlisted Association, who retired as the state's senior maintenance NCO;

and Master Sgt. Henry L. Esser, a 38-year Guard member who led his maintenance platoon to achieve the highest equipment readiness rate in its task force during the Persian Gulf War of 1990-1991.

The induction ceremony will be held in the Assembly Chamber, State Capitol, Madison, on Sunday, March 7, at 2:00 p.m.

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Note to editors and news directors: The Hall of Honor induction ceremony will include presentation of the colors, music by the 132nd Army Band, and remarks by Lt. Gov. Barbara Lawton, in addition to remarks and the formal presentation of awards by Maj. Gen. Albert H. Wilkening, the adjutant general, and Brig. Gen. Kerry G. Denson, deputy adjutant general for Army. Among the honorees, Lt. Col. Sarko will be unable to attend and will be represented by retired warrant officer Darold Hoelz, who nominated him for the honor. Interviews with dignitaries and inductees will be available. For further information, or to make advance arrangements for interviews, contact Lt. Col. Tim Donovan at 608-242-3050.